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THE

Form and Manner

OF

MAKING, ORDAINING,

AND

CONSECRATING

OF

Bishops, Priests, and Deacons,

According to the Order of the

Church of England.



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THE PREFACE.



It is evident unto all men, diligently reading holy Scripture and ancient Authors, that from the Apostles time there have been these Orders of Ministers in Christ's Church; Bishops, Priests, and Deacons. Which Offices were evermore had in such reverend estimation, that no man might presume to execute any of them, except he were first called, tried, examined, and known to have such qualities as are requisite for the same; and also by Publick Prayer, with Imposition of Hands, were approved and admitted thereunto by lawful Authority. And therefore, to the intent that these Orders may be continued, and reverently used and esteemed in the Church of *England*; No man shall be accounted or taken to be a lawful Bishop, Priest, or Deacon in the Church of *England*; or suffered to execute any of the said Functions, except he be called, tried, examined, and admitted thereunto, according to the Form hereafter following, or hath had formerly Episcopal Consecration or Ordination.

And none shall be admitted a Deacon, except he be twenty three years of age, unless he have a Faculty. And every man which is to be admitted a Priest, shall be full

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Four and twenty years old. And every man which is to be Ordained or Consecrated Bishop, shall be fully Thirty years of age.

And the Bishop knowing either by himself, or by sufficient testimony, any person to be a man of virtuous conversation, and without crime, and after examination and trial, finding him learned in the Latin Tongue, and sufficiently instructed in holy Scripture, may at the times appointed in the Canon, or else on urgent occasion, upon some other Sunday or Holy-day, in the face of the Church, admit him a Deacon, in such manner and form as hereafter followeth.



The Form and Manner of Making of PRIESTS
and DEACONS.

¶ First the Arch-Deacon, or his Deputy, shall present unto the Bishop (sitting in his Chair, near to the Holy Table) such as desire to be Ordained Deacons; (each of them being decently habited) saying these words,

Reverend Father in God, I present unto you these persons present to be admitted Deacons.

¶ The Bishop.

Take heed that the persons whom ye present unto us, be apt and meet, for their learning and godly conversation, to exercise their Ministry duly, to the honour of God, and the edifying of his Church.

¶ The Arch-Deacon shall answer,

I have enquired of them, and also examined them, and think them so to be.

¶ Then the Bishop shall say unto the People,

Brethren, if there be any of you who knoweth any impediment or notable crime in any of these persons presented to be Ordered Deacons, for the which he ought not to be admitted to that Office, let him come forth in the Name of God, and shew what the crime or impediment is.

¶ And if any great crime or impediment be objected, the Bishop shall surcease from Ordering that person, until such time as the party accused shall be found clear of that crime.

¶ Then

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¶ Then the Arch-Deacon, or in his absence, one appointed in his stead, shall present unto the Bishop, sitting in his Chair near to the Holy Table, all them that shall receive the Order of Priesthood that day (each of them being decently habited) and say,

Reverend Father in God, I present unto you these persons present to be admitted to the Order of Priesthood.

¶ The Bishop.

Take heed that the persons whom ye present unto us be apt and meet, for their learning and godly conversation, to exercise their Ministry duly, to the honour of God, and the edifying of his Church.

¶ The Arch-Deacon shall answer,

I have enquired of them, and also examined them, and think them so to be.

¶ Then the Bishop shall say unto the People,

Good people, these are they whom we purpose, God willing, to receive this day unto the holy Office of Priesthood: For after due examination we find not to the contrary, but that they be lawfully called to their Function and Ministry, and that they be persons meet for the same. But yet if there be any of you who knoweth any impediment or notable crime in any of them, for the which he ought not to be received into this holy Ministry, let him come forth in the Name of God, and shew what the crime or impediment is.

¶ And if any great crime or impediment be objected, the Bishop shall surcease from Ordering that Person, until such time as the Party accused shall be found clear of that crime.

¶ Then

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¶ Then the Bishop (commending such as shall be found meet to be ordered, to the Prayers of the Congregation) shall, with the Clergy and People present, sing or say the Litany, with the Prayers, as followeth.

¶ The Litany and Suffrages.

O God the Father of heaven : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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O God the Son, Redeemer of the world : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father, and the Son : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father, and the Son : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, three persons and one God : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, three persons and one God : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers, neither take thou vengeance of our sins : spare us, good Lord, spare thy people whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief, from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil, from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From

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From all blindness of heart; from pride, ba-
nality, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and ma-
lice, and all uncharitableness,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From fornication, and all other deadly sin; and
from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the
devil.

Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from plague, pesti-
lence, and famine; from battle, and murder, and
from sudden death.

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all sedition, pryvy conspiracy, and rebelli-
on; from all false doctrine, heresie, and schism; from
hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and
Commandment.

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy
holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism,
Passion, and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross
and Passion; by thy precious Death, and Burial;
by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and
by the coming of the Holy Ghost,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our
weath; in the hour of death, and in the day of
judgment.

Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord
God, and that it may please thee to rule and govern
thy holy Church universal in the right way;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That

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That it may please thee to keep and strengthen
in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and
holiness of life, thy Servant GEORGE, our most
gracious King and Governor;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to rule his heart in thy
faith, fear, and love, and that he may evermore
have assistance in thee, and ever seek thy honour and
glory;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to be his defender and
keeper, giving him the victory over all his enemies;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and preserve
Royal Highness ~~GEORGE~~ ^{William} Prince of Wales, the
Princes, ~~and the Princesses~~ ^{and all the Royal Fa-}
mily; ^{Dowager of Wales, & others}

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops,
Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and
understanding of thy Word, and that both by their
preaching and living they may set it forth, and use
it accordingly;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless these thy servants
now to be admitted to the Order of Deacons and
Priests, and to pour thy grace upon them; that they
may duly execute their office, to the edifying of thy
Church, and the glory of thy holy Name;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to endue the Lords of
the Council, and all the Nobility, with grace, wis-
dom, and understanding;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

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That it may please thee to bless and keep the Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all the people;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us an heart to love and dread thee, and diligently to live after thy Commandments;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all thy people increase of grace, to hear weekly thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred and are deceived;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand, and to comfort and help the weak-hearted, and to raise up them that fall, and finally to beat down Satan under our feet;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort all that are in danger, necessity and tribulation;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve all that travel by land or by water, all women labouring of child,

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children, and sick persons, and young children, and to
show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to defend and provide for
the fatherless children and widows, and all that are
desolate and oppressed;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all
men;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies,
persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their
hearts;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our
use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time
we may enjoy them;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repent-
ance, to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ig-
norances, and to endue us with the grace of the holy
Spirit, to amend our lives according to the holy
Word;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us.

Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God: that takest away the sins of the
world;

Grant us thy peace.

O Lamb of God: that takest away the sins of the
world;

Have mercy upon us.

O Christ, hear us.

O Christ, hear us.

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Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

¶ Then shall the Priest, and the People with him, say the
Lord's Prayer.

Our Father, which art in Heaven; hallowed be
thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will
be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this
day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us. And
lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from
evil. Amen.

**Priest. O Lord, deal not with us after our
sins.**

Answer. Neither reward us after our iniquities.

Priest. Let us pray.
O God most high Father, that despisest not the sigh-
ing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as
be sorrowful: mercifully assist our prayers that we
make before thee in all our troubles and adversities,
whensoever they assaults us; and graciously hear us,
that those evils which the craft and subtilty of the
Devil or man dotheth against us, be brought to
nought, and by the providence of thy goodness they
may be dispersed, that we thy servants, being hurt
by no persecutions, may evermore give thanks unto
thee in thy holy Church, through Jesus Christ our
Lord.

**O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us, for thy Names
sake.**

O God,

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O God, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us the noble works that thou didst in their days, and in the old time before them.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thine Honour.

Glorv be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

from our enemies defend us, O Christ.

Graciously look upon our afflictions, and pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts.

Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.

Favourably with mercy hear our prayers.

O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ.

Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O

Lord Christ.

Priest. O Lord, let thy mercy be shewed upon us.

Answer. As we do put our trust in thee.

Let us pray.

We humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glory of thy Name, turn from us all our sins: that we most righteously have deserved; and grant that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore receive thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy Honour and glory, through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then shall be sung or said the Service for the Communion.

O Father, which art in Heaven; hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be

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be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses; As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

The Collect.

A Almighty God, unto Whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from Whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnifie thy holy Name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then shall the Priest, turning to the People, rehearse distinctly all the TEN COMMANDMENTS; and the People still kneeling, shall after every Commandment ask God mercy for their transgression thereof for the time past, and grace to keep the same for the time to come, as followeth.

Minister.

GOD spake these words, and said, I am the Lord thy God: Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not make to thy self any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them: For I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me, and keep my commandments.

People.

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21 People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his Name in vain.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Remember that thou keep hold the Sabbath day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do: but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Honour thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt do no murder.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not steal.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister.

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Minister. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour. **Lord,** have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbours house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbours wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is his. **Lord,** have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts. We beseech thee.

Then shall follow one of these two Collects for the Morning, the Priest standing as before, and saying,
Let us pray.

A mighty God, whose kingdom is everlasting, and power infinite; have mercy upon the whole Church; and to rule the heart of thy chosen Servant **GEORGE** our King and Governor, that he (knowing whose Minister he is) may above all things seek thy honour and glory; and that we and all his Subjects (duly considering whose authority he hath) may faithfully serve, honour, and humbly obey him, in thee, and for thee, according to thy blessed word and ordinance, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the holy Ghost livest and reignest ever our God, world without end. Amen.

Or.
A mighty and everlasting God, we are taught by thy holy word, that the hearts of Kings are in thy rule and governance, and that thou dost dispose and turn them as it seemeth best to thy godly wisdom. We humbly beseech thee to dispose and govern the heart of **GEORGE** thy Servant, our King and Governor, that in all his thoughts, words, and works, he may ever seek thy honour and glory,
and

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and study to preferre thy people committed to his charge, in wealth, peace, and godliness. **Grant this, O merciful Father, for thy dear Sonns sake, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

¶ The Collect.

A Almighty God, who by thy divine providence hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in thy Church, and didst inspire thine Apostles to choole into the Order of Deacons the first Martyr Saint Stephen, with others: Mercifully behold these thy servants now called to the like Office and Administration. Replenish them so with the truth of thy doctrine, and adorn them with innocency of life, that both by word and good example, they may faithfully serve thee in this Office, to the glory of thy Name, and the edification of thy Church, through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and for ever. Amen.

¶ The Collect.

A Almighty God, giver of all good things, who by thy Holy Spirit hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in the Church: Mercifully behold these thy servants now called to the Office of Priesthood, and replenish them so with the truth of thy doctrine, and adorn them with innocency of life, that both by word and good example they may faithfully serve thee in this Office, to the glory of thy Name, and the edification of thy Church, through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, world without end. Amen.

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Inasmuch as every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherefore when he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now what he ascended, what is it, but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth: he that descended, is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave some Apostles, and some Prophets, and some Evangelists, and some Pastors, and Teachers, for the perfecting of the Saints, for the works of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ; till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.

And before the Gospel, the Bishop sitting in his Chair, shall cause the Oath of the Kings Supremacy, and against the Power and Authority of all Foreign Potentates, to be ministered unto every of them that are to be Ordered.

The Oath of the Kings Sovereignty.

*Amended by 1 Wm^e 1
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I A. B. do utterly testify and declare in my conscience, That the Kings Highness is the only Supreme Governor of this Realm, and of all other his highnesses Dominions and Countries, as well in all Spiritual or Ecclesiastical things or causes, as Temporal: And that no Foreign Prince, Person, Prelate, State, or Potentate, hath or ought to have, any Jurisdiction, Power, Superiority, Preeminence, or Authority Ecclesiastical or Spiritual within this Realm. And therefore I do utterly renounce and forsake all Foreign Jurisdictions, Powers, Superiorities, and Authorities; and do promise, That from hence=

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Henceforth I shall bear Faith and true Allegiance to the Kings, Highness, His Heirs, and lawful Successors, and to my Father shall assist and defend all Jurisdictions, Privileges, Preeminences, and Authorities, granted or belonging to the Kings, Highness, His Heirs and Successors, or united and annexed to the Imperial Crown of this Realm: So help me God, and the Contents of this Book.

Then shall the Bishop examine every one of them whether he to be Ordered, in the presence of the People, after this manner following.

Do you trust that you are inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost, to take upon you this Office and Ministration, to serve God for the promoting of his glory, and the edifying of his people now and to

Answer. I trust so much as to trust
The Bishop.

Do you think that you are truly called according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the due Order of this Realm, to the Ministry of the Church?

Answer. I think so.
The Bishop.

Do you unfeignedly believe all the Canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testament?

Answer. I do believe them.

The Bishop.

Will you diligently read the same unto the People assembled in the Church where you shall be appointed to serve?

Answer. I will.

The Bishop.

I appertaineth to the Office of a Deacon in the Church where he shall be appointed to serve, to

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assist the Priest in Divine Service, and specially when he ministrerth the holy Communion, and to help him in the distribution thereof, and to read holy Scriptures and Homilies in the Church; and to instruct the youth in the Catechism; in the absence of the Priest to baptize Infants, and to Preach, if he be admitted thereto by the Bishop. And furthermore, it is his Office, where provision is so made, to search for the sick, poor, and impotent people of the Parish, to intimate their Estates, Names, and Places where they dwell, unto the Curate, that by his exhortation, they may be relieved with the Alms of the Parsonages or others. Will you do this gladly and willingly?

Answer. I will so do by the help of God.

The Bishop.

Will you apply all your diligence to frame and fashion your own lives, and the lives of your families, according to the doctrine of Christ, and to make both your selves and them, as much as in you lieth, whollom examples of the flock of Christ?

Answer. I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

Will you reverently obey your Ordinary, and other chief Ministers of the Church, and them to whom the charge and government over you is committed, following with a glad mind and will their godly admonitions?

Answer. I will endeavour my self, the Lord being my helper.

Then the Bishop, laying his hands severally upon the Head of every one of them, humbly kneeling before him, shall say,

The thou Authority to execute the Office of a Deacon in the Church of God committed unto thee;

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¶ Then shall the Bishop deliver to every one of them the New Testament, saying,

Take thou Authority to read the Gospel in the Church of God, and to preach the same, if thou be thereto licensed by the Bishop himself.

¶ Then one of them appointed by the Bishop shall read the Gospel. S. Luke 12. 35. and shall say

Et your loynes be girded about, and your light burning; and ye your selves like unto men that wait for their Lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately. Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when he cometh, shall find watching. Verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them. And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants.

¶ Then the Bishop, sitting in his Chair, shall minister unto every one of them the Oath concerning the Kings Supremacy.

The Oath of the Kings Sovereignty.

IA. B. do utterly testifie and declare in my conscience, That the Kings Highness is the only Supreme Governour of this Realm, and of all other his Highnesses Dominions and Countries, as well in all Spiritual or Ecclesiastical things or causes, as Temporal: And that no Foreign Prince, Person, Prelate, State, or Potentate, hath or ought to have any Jurisdiction, Power, Superiority, Preeminence,

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My Authority Ecclesiastical or Spiritual within this Realm. And therefore I do utterly renounce and forswear all foreign Jurisdictions, Powers, Supremacies, and Authorities: and do promise, That from henceforth I shall bear Faith and true Allegiance to the Kings Highness, his Heirs, and lawful Successors; and to my power shall assist and defend all Jurisdictions, Privileges, Preeminences, and Authorities, granted or belonging to the Kings Highness, his Heirs and Successors, or united and annexed to the Imperial Crown of this Realm: So help me God, and the Contents of this Book.

¶ And that done, he shall say unto them as hereafter followeth.
¶ You have heard, brethren, as well in your private examination, as in the exhortation which was now made to you, and in the holy Lessons taken out of the Gospel, and the Writings of the Apostles, of what dignity, and of how great importance this Office is, whereunto ye are called. And now again we exhort you in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you have in remembrance into how high a dignity, and to how weighty an Office and Charge ye are called: That is to say, to be Defenders, Watchmen, and Stewards of the Lord; to teach and to admonish, to feed and provide for the Lords Family; to seek for Christs sheep that are dispersed abroad, and for his children who are in the midst of this naughty world, that they may be saved through Christ for ever.

¶ Have always therefore printed in your remembrance, how great a treasure is committed to your charge, for they are the sheep of Christ, which he bought with his death, and for whom he shed his blood. The Church and Congregation whom you must

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multitudo, is his Spouse, and his Body. And it shall
happen the same Church, or any member thereof,
to take any hurt or hindrance by reason of your neg-
ligence, ye know the greatness of the fault, and be-
fore the horrible punishment that will ensue. Where-
fore consider with your selves the end of your minis-
try towards the children of God, towards the Spouse
and Body of Christ; and see that you never cease
your labour, your care and diligence, until you
have done all that lieth in you, according to your
bounden duty, to bring all such as are, or shall be
committed to your charge, unto that agreement in
the faith and knowledge of God, and to that ripen-
ness and perfectness of age in Christ, that there be
no place left among you, either for error in Religion,
or for viciousness in Life.

Forasmuch then as your Office is both of so
great excellency, and of so great difficulty, ye see well
how great care and study ye ought to apply your selves,
as well that ye may shew your selves dutiful and
thankful unto that Lord who hath placed you in so
high a Dignity; as also to beware that neither you
your selves offend, nor be occasion that others offend.
Howbeit ye cannot have a mind and will thereof
your selves; for that will and ability is given of God
alone: Therefore ye ought, and have need to pray
earnestly for his holy Spirit. And seeing that you
cannot by any other means compass the doing of so
weighty a work, pertaining to the salvation of man,
but with doctrine and exhortation taken out of the
holy Scriptures, and with a life agreeable to the
same; consider how studious ye ought to be in read-
ing and learning the Scriptures, and in framing
the manners both of your selves, and of them that
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pecially pertain unto you, according to the rule of the same Scriptures: And for this self same cause, how ye ought to forsake and set aside (as much as you may) all worldly cares and studies.

We have good hope that you have well weighed and pondered these things with your selves long before this time; and that you have clearly determined by Gods grace, to give your selves wholly to this Office, whereunto it hath pleased God to call you: So that as much as lieth in you, you will apply your selves wholly to this one thing, and draw all your cares and studies this way; and that you will continually pray to God the Father, by the mediation of our only Saviour Jesus Christ, for the heavenly assistance of the Holy Ghost; that by daily reading and weighing of the Scriptures, ye may wax fier and stronger in your ministry, and that ye may so endeavour your selves from time to time, to sanctifie the lives of you and yours, and to fashion them after the rule and doctrine of Christ, that ye may be wholsom and godly examples, and patterns for the people to follow.

And now that this present Congregation of Christ, here assembled, may also understand your minds and wills in these things, and that this your promise may the more move you to do your duties, ye shall answer plainly to these things, which we in the Name of God, and of his Church, shall demand of you touching the same.

DO you think in your heart that you be truly called, according to the Will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Order of this Church of England, to the Order and Ministry of Priesthood?

Answer. I think it.

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Are you perswaded that the holy Scriptures contain sufficiently all Doctrine required of necessity for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ? And are you determined out of the said Scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge, and to teach nothing (as required of necessity for eternal salvation) but that which you shall be perswaded may be concluded and proved by the Scripture?

Answer. I am so perswaded, and have so determined by Gods grace.

Will you then give your faithful diligence always to minister the Doctrine and Sacraments, and the Discipline of Christ, as the Word hath commanded, and as this Church and Realm hath received the same, according to the Commandments of God; so that you may teach the people committed to your Cure and Charge, with all diligence to keep and observe the same?

Answer. I will so do by the help of the Lord.

Will you be ready with all faithful diligence to banish and drive away all erroneous and strange doctrines, contrary to Gods Word; and to use both publick and private monitions and exhortations, as well to the sick, as to the whole, within your Cures, as need shall require, and occasion shall be given?

Answer. I will, the Lord being my helper.

Will you be diligent in prayers, and in reading of the holy Scriptures, and in such studies

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dies as help to the knowledge of the same, laying aside the study of the world and the flesh?

Answer. I will endeavour my self so to do, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

Will you be diligent to frame and fashion your own selves and your families, according to the Doctrine of Christ, and to make both your selves and them, as much as in you lieth, wholsome examples and patterns to the flock of Christ?

Answer. I will apply my self thereto, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

Will you maintain and set forwards, as much as lieth in you, quietness, peace, and love among all Christian people, and especially among them that are or shall be committed to your charge?

Answer. I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

Will you reverently obey your Ordinary, and other chief Ministers, unto whom is committed the charge and government over you; following with a glad mind and will their godly admonitions, and submitting your selves to their godly judgments?

Answer. I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

¶ Then shall the Bishop standing up, say,

A Almighty God, who hath given you this will to do all these things, grant also unto you strength and power to perform the same; that he may accomplish his work which he hath begun in you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ After

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¶ After this the Congregation shall be desired, secretly in their Prayers to make their humble supplications to God for all these things: For the which Prayers, there shall be silence kept for a space.

¶ After which shall be sung or said by the Bishop (the Persons to be ordained Priests, all kneeling) *Kni. Grator Spiritus*; the Bishop beginning, and the Priests and others that are present, answering by Verses, as followeth.

Come Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,

And lighten with celestial fire.

Thou the anointing Spirit art,

Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

Thy blessed Unction from above,

Is comfort, life, and fire of love.

Enable with perpetual light

The dulness of our blinded sight.

Anoint and cheer our soiled face

With the abundance of thy grace.

Keep far our foes, give peace at home:

Where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,

And thee, of both, to be but one.

That through the ages all along,

This may be our endless song;

Praise to thy eternal merit,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

¶ That done, the Bishop shall pray in this wise, and say,

Let us pray.

A Almighty God and heavenly Father, who of thine infinite love and goodness towards us, hast given to us thy only and most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ to be our Redeemer, and the Author of

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of the everlasting life: who after he had made perfect our Redemption by his death, and was ascended into Heaven, sent abroad into the world his Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Doctors, and Pastors, by whose labour and ministry he gathered together a great flock in all the parts of the world, to set forth the eternal praise of thy holy Name: For these so great benefits of thy eternal goodness, and for that thou hast vouchsafed to call these thy servants here present, to the same Office and Ministry appointed for the salvation of mankind, we render unto thee most hearty thanks, we praise and worship thee; and we humbly beseech thee by the same thy blessed Son, to grant unto all, which either here or elsewhere call upon thy holy Name, that we may continue to be to our selves thankful unto thee for these and all other thy benefits, and that we may daily increase and go forwards in the knowledge and faith of thee and thy Son, by the Holy Spirit. So that as well by these thy Ministers, as by them over whom they shall be appointed thy Ministers, thy holy Name may be forever glorified, and thy blessed Kingdom enlarged, through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen.

¶ When this Prayer is done, the Bishop, with the Priests present, shall lay their hands severally upon the Head of every one that receiveth the Order of Priesthood; the Receivers humbly kneeling upon their knees, and the Bishop saying,

Recieve the Holy Ghost for the Office and Work of a Priest in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the Imposition of our hands. Whose sins thou dost forgive, they are forgiven; and whose sins thou dost retain, they are retained. And be

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Be thou a faithful Dispenser of the Word of God, and of his holy Sacraments: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ Then the Bishop shall deliver to every one of them kneeling, the Bible into his hand, saying,

Take thou Authority to preach the Word of God, and to minister the holy Sacraments in the Congregation, where thou shalt be lawfully appointed thereunto.

¶ When this is done, the Nicene Creed shall be sung on said, and the Bishop shall after that go on in the Service of the Communion, which all they that receive Orders, shall take together, and remain in the same place where hands were laid upon them, until such time as they have received the Communion.

I Believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate, He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.

And

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And I beleve in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and
giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and
the Son, who with the Father and the Son to-
gether worshipped and glorified, who spake by the
prophets. And I beleve one Catholick and Aposto-
lick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the
remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of
the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Then shall the Priest return to the Lords Table, and begin
the Offertory, saying one or more of these Sentences fol-
lowing, as he thinketh most convenient in his discretion.

Et your light so shine before men, that they may
see your good works, and glorifie your Father
which is in heaven. S. Matth. 5. 16.

Lay not up for your selves treasure upon earth,
where the rust and moth doth corrupt, and where
thieves break through and steal: but lay up for your
selves treasures in heaven, where neither rust nor
moth doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break
through and steal. S. Matth. 6. 19, 20.

Whosoever ye would that men should do unto you,
even so do unto them; for this is the law and the
prophets. S. Matth. 7. 12.

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord,
shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that
doth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

S. Matth. 17. 23. **S**acharus stood forth, and said unto the Lord, Be-
hold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor,
and if I have done any wrong to any man, I re-
store fourfold. S. Luke 19. 8.

Who goeth a warfare at any time of his own
choice: who planteth a vineyard, and eateth not of
the

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the fruit thereof. **O**r who feedeth a flock, and eateth not of the milk of the flock? 1 Cor. 9. 7.

If we have sown unto you spiritual things, is it a great matter if we shall reap your worldly things? 1 Cor. 9. 11.

Do ye not know, that they who minister about holy things, live of the sacrifice: and they who wait at the altar, are partakers with the altar: even so hath the Lord also ordained, that they who preach the Gospel, should live of the Gospel. 1 Cor. 9. 13, 14.

He that soweth little, shall reap little: and he that soweth plenteously, shall reap plenteously. Let every man do according as he is disposed in his heart, not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. 2 Cor. 9. 6, 7.

Let him that is taught in the word, minister unto him that teacheth, in all good things. Be not deceived, God is not mocked: for whatsoever man soweth, that shall he reap. Gal. 6. 6, 7.

While we have time, let us do good unto all men, and specially unto them that are of the household of faith. Gal. 6. 10.

Godliness is great riches, if a man be content with that he hath: for we brought nothing into the world, neither may we carry any thing out. 1 Tim. 6. 7.

Charge them who are rich in this world, that they be ready to give, and glad to distribute, laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may attain eternal life. 1 Tim. 6. 17, 18, 19.

God is not unrighteous, that he will forget your works and labour that proceedeth of love, which love

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They are here gathered for his names sake, who have ministered unto the saints, and yet do minister. Heb. xii. 1. Let us therefore do good, and to distribute, forget not: for with such sacrifices God is pleased. Heb. xiii. 2. Let us have grace, that we may have the worlds good, and see that his brother have need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, whom dwelleth the love of God in him. 1. John

iii. 17. Give alms of thy goods, and never turn thy face from any poor man, and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee. Tob. ii. 7.

Be merciful after thy power. If thou hast much, give plenteously. If thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little: for so gatherest thou thyself a good reward in the day of necessity. Tob. ii. 8, 9.

He that hath pity upon the poor, lendeth unto the Lord: and what he layeth out, it shall be paid him again. Prov. xix. 17.

Blessed be the man that provideth for the sick and needy: the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble. Psal. xli. 1.

Let us pray for the whole state of Christs Church militant here in earth.

O mighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostles hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We

humbly beseech thee most mercifully

If there be no
alms or oblations,
then shall the words
of acceptance
also and oblations

[* to accept our alms and oblations, and] to re-

ceive these our prayers which we offer

unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee

to inspire continually the universal

Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and con-

cord:

cord:

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order and grant that all they that be honest and
by name, may agree in the unity of the holy Communion;
and live in unity and godly love. We beseech thee al-
so to save and defend all Christian Princes, Prin-
ces and Governors; and especially thy servant
GEORGE our King, that under him we may be
godly and quietly governed; and grant unto his
whole Council, and to all that are in authority
under him, that they may truly and indifferently
minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness
and vice, and to the maintenance of the true Religi-
on and virtue. Give grace, O heavenly Father, to
all Bishops and Curates, that they may both by
their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively
Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sa-
craments: and to all thy people give thy heavenly
grace; and especially to this Congregation here pre-
sent, that with meek heart and due reverence they
may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly follow-
ing thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of
their life. And we most humbly beseech thee of thy
goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them
who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow,
need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also
bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed
this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to give
us grace so to follow their good examples, that with
them we may be partakers of thy heavenly King-
dom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christs sake
our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

At the time of the Celebration of the Communion, the
Communicants being conveniently placed for the receiving
of the holy Sacrament, the Priest shall say this Exhorta-
tion

Dear

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Whereas we are commanded by the Lord, that we should
 come to the holy Communion of the Body and
 Blood of our Saviour Christ, must consider how
 Saint Paul exhorteth all persons diligently to try
 and examine themselves, before they presume to eat
 of that Bread, and drink of that Cup. For as the be-
 nefit is great, if with a true penitent heart and live-
 ly faith we receive that holy Sacrament (for then
 we spiritually eat the flesh of Christ, and drink his
 blood; then we dwell in Christ, and Christ in us;
 we are one with Christ, and Christ with us;) So
 is the danger great, if we receive the same unwor-
 thyly; for then we are guilty of the Body and Blood
 of Christ our Saviour; we eat and drink our own
 damnation, not considering the Lords Body; we
 provoke Gods wrath against us; we provoke him to
 punish us with divers diseases, and sundry kinds of
 death. Judge therefore your selves, brethren, that
 ye be not judges of the Lord; repent you truly for
 your sins past; have a lively and steadfast faith in
 Christ our Saviour; amend your lives, and be in
 perfect charity with all men, so shall ye be meet par-
 takers of those holy mysteries. And above all things
 ye must give most humble and hearty thanks to God
 the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, for the
 Redemption of the world by the death and passion of
 our Saviour Christ, both God and Man, who did
 humble himself even to the death upon the Cross,
 for us miserable sinners, who lay in darkness and
 the shadow of death, that he might make us the chil-
 dren of God, and exalt us to everlasting life. And to
 the end that we should always remember the exceed-
 ing great love of our Father, and only Saviour, Je-
 sus Christ, thus dying for us, and the innumerable
 benefits

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benefits which by his precious blood shedding he hath obtained to us: he hath instituted and ordained holy mysteries, as pledges of his love, and for a continual remembrance of his death, to our great and endless comfort. To him therefore, both the Father, and the Holy Ghost, let us give (as we are most bounden) continual thanks, submitting our selves wholly to his holy will and pleasure, and promising to serve him in true holiness and righteousness all the days of our life. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Priest say to them that come to receive the holy Communion,

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the Commandments of God, and walking henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

¶ Then shall this general Confession be made in the name of all those that are minded to receive the holy Communion, by one of the Ministers, both he and all the People kneeling humbly upon their knees, and saying, Domine Deus.

A Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings: The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have

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mercy upon us. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father: For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ sake, forgive us all that is past. And grant that we may hereafter serve and please thee In newness of life. To the honour and glory of thy Name, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Priest (or the Bishop being present) stand up, and turning himself to the People, pronounce this Absolution.

A Almighty God our heavenly Father, Who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: Have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, condemn and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Priest say, Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

Come unto me all that labour and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. S. Matth. 11. 28.

So God loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. S. John 3. 16.

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Tim. 1. 15.

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous, and he is the propitiation for our sins. 1 S. John 2. 1.

¶ After

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Then shall the Priest turn to the People, and say, **W**ith all your hearts.

Answer. We lift them up unto thee, O Lord.

Priest. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

Answer. It is meet and right to do so.

Then shall the Priest turn to the Lord, and say,

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, **Holy Father Almighty, Everlasting God.**

¶ Here shall follow the proper Preface, according to the time, if there be any specially appointed: or else immediately shall follow.

Therefore with Angels and Arch-angels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name, evermore praising thee, and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

¶ Proper Prefaces.

¶ Upon Christmas-day, and seven days after.

Because thou didst give Jesus Christ thy only Son to be born as at this time for us, who by the operation of the Holy Ghost, was made very man of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother, and that without spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ Upon Easter-day, and seven days after.

But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious Resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord: for he is the very Paschal Lamb which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the

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the world, who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels, &c. **T**he first of May, which is the day after the Ascension of our Lord, and seven days after, when the most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who after his most glorious Resurrection manifestly appeared to all his Apostles, and in their sight ascended up into heaven to prepare a place for us, that where he is, thither we might also ascend, and reign with him in glory. Therefore with Angels, &c. **W**hich day is the first of May, and six days after. **¶** Upon Whitsunday, and six days after, when through Jesus Christ our Lord; according to his most true promise, the Holy Ghost came down as at this time from heaven with a sudden great wind, as it had been a mighty wind, in the likeness of fiery tongues, lighting upon the Apostles, to teach them, and to lead them to all truth, giving them both the gift of divers languages, and also boldness with fervent zeal, constantly to preach the Gospel unto all nations, whereby we have been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of the Father, and of the Son Jesus Christ. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ Upon the Feast of Trinity only.

Who are one God, one Lord; not one only person, but three persons in one substance. For that which we believe of the Father, the same we believe of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, without any difference or inequality. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ After

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¶ After each of which Offices shall immediately be sung or said the following Psalms.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnifie thy glorious Name, evermore praising thee, and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Priest, kneeling down at the Lords Table, say in the name of all them that shall receive the Communion, this Prayer following.

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may eternally dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

¶ When the Priest, standing before the Table, hath ordered the Bread and Wine, that he may with the more readiness and decency break the Bread before the people, and take the cup into his hands, he shall say the Prayer of Consecration, as followeth.

A Almighty God our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption, who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of

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¶ And the Minister that delivereth the Cup to any one, shall say,

The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christs Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

¶ If the consecrated Bread or Wine be all spent before all have communicated, the Priest is to consecrate more according to the Form before prescribed: Beginning at [*Our Saviour Christ in the same night, &c.*] for the blessing of the Bread; and at [*Likewise after Supper, &c.*] for the blessing of the Cup.

¶ When all have communicated, the Minister shall return to the Lords Table, and reverently place upon it what remaineth of the consecrated Elements, covering the same with a fair linen Cloth.

¶ Then shall the Priest say the Lords Prayer, the People repeating after him every Petition.

Our Father, which art in Heaven; hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation: But deliver us from evil: For thine is the Kingdom, The Power and the Glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ After shall be said, as followeth.

O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy Fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant; that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy

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thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins,
and all other benefits of his passion. And here we
offer and present unto thee, O Word, our selves, our
soules and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and libe-
rally offered unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that
all we who are partakers of this holy Communion,
may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly bene-
dictions. And although we be unworthy through
our manifold sins to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet
we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and
service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our
offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom,
with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all
honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty,
world without end. Amen.

¶ Or this.
A Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily
thank thee, for that thou dost purchase to feed
us, who have duly received these holy mysteries,
with the spiritual food of the most precious body and
blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost
assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards
us; and that we are very members incorporate in
the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed
company of all faithful people; and are also heirs
through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the
merits of the most precious death and passion of thy
dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O
heavenly Father, to continue us with thy grace, that
we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all
such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk
in, through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with
thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory
world without end. Amen.

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Gloria be to God on high, and in earth's peace,
 good will towards men. We praise thee,
 we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,
 we give thanks to thee for thy great glory.
 O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father al-
 mighty, O Lord, the only begotten Son Jesus Christ, O
 Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that
 takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon
 us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
 have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the
 sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that
 sittest at the right hand of God, the Father, have
 mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy, thou only art the Lord,
 thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most
 high in the glory of God the Father.

The Communion ended, after the last Collect, and im-
 mediately before the Benediction, shall be said these Collects
 following.

Almighty God, giver of all good things, Who
 of thy great goodness hast vouchsafed to accept
 and take these thy servants unto the Office of Dea-
 cons in thy Church; Make them, we beseech thee,
 O Lord, to be modest, humble, and confident in their
 Ministration, to have a ready will to observe all spi-
 ritual discipline; that they having always the testi-
 mony of a good conscience, and continuing ever stable
 and strong in thy Son Christ, may so well behave
 themselves in this inferior Office, that they may
 be found worthy to be called unto the higher Mi-
 nistries in thy Church, through the same thy Son

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Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

A O merciful Father, we beseech thee to send
upon these thy servants, thy heavenly blessing,
that they may be clothed with righteousness, and
that thy word spoken by their mouths, may have
such success, that it may never be spoken in vain.
Grant also that we may have grace to hear and re-
ceive what they shall deliver out of thy most holy
word, as agreeable to the same, as the means of our
salvation; that in all our words and deeds we may
seek thy glory, and the increase of thy kingdom,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help, that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

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an ARCH-BISHOP, or BISHOP: which
is always to be performed upon some Sun-
day or Holy-day.

¶ When all things are duly prepared in the Church, and in
due order, after Morning Prayer is ended, the Arch-Bishop
or some other Bishop (appointed) shall begin the Com-
munion Service, in which this shall be

The Collect.

A mighty God, who by thy Son Jesus
Christ didst give to thy holy Apostles many
excellent gifts, and didst charge them to feed
thy flock: Give grace, we beseech thee, to
all Bishops, the Pastors of thy Church, that they
may diligently preach thy Word, and duly administer
the godly Discipline thereof: and grant to the people
that they may obediently follow the same, that all
may receive the crown of everlasting glory, through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ And another Bishop shall read the
The Epistle: 1 Tim. 3. 1. 2.

This is a true saying, If a man desire the Office
of a Bishop, he desireth a good will. A Bishop
then must be blameless, the husband of one wife,
vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospi-
tality, apt to teach, not given to wine, no striker,
not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler,
not covetous; one that ruleth well his own house,
having his children in subjection with all gravity;

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(For if a man have not been to his own house, how can he take care of the Church of God?) Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride, he fall into the temptation of the devil. Wherefore, he must have a good report of them which are without, lest he fall into reproach, and the snare of the devil.

For the Epistle. Acts 20. 17. 31. 38.
To the Elders of the Church. And when they were come to him, he said unto them, Ye know from the first, that I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with you in all seasons, serving the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears and temptations, which befel me by the lying in wait of the Jews: And how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publicly, and from house to house, testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. And now behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there: save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying, That bonds and afflictions abide me. But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto my self, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the Gospel of the grace of God. And now behold, I know that ye all among whom I have gone preaching the Kingdom of God, shall see my face no more. Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel

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council of God. Take heed therefore unto your souls, and to all the flock over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you Overseers, to feed the Church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood. For I know this, that after my departing, grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears. And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified. I have coveted no mans silver, or gold, or apparel: yea, you yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me. I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

¶ Then another Bishop shall read the Gospel.

Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, I love thee more than these. He saith unto him, Yea, Lord, thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs. He saith unto him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, I love thee. He saith unto him, Yea, Lord, thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep. He said unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, I love thee. Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, I love thee more. And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things;

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things: thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my Sheep.

¶ Or else this. S. John 20. 19.

The same day at evening, being the first day of the Week, when the doors were shut, where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord. Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost. Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them: and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.

¶ Or this. S. Matth. 28. 18.

Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: And lo I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

¶ After the Gospel, and the Nicene Creed, and the Sermon are ended, the Elected Bishop (vested with his Ratchet) shall be presented by two Bishops unto the Arch-Bishop of that Province (or to some other Bishop appointed by lawful Commission) the Arch-Bishop sitting in his Chair near the Holy Table, and the Bishops that present him, saying,

Most Reverend Father in God, We present unto you this godly and well-learned man, to be Ordained and Consecrated Bishop.

¶ Then

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¶ Then shall the Arch-Bishop demand the Kings Mandate for the Consecration, and cause it to be read. And the Oath touching the Acknowledgment of the Kings Supremacy shall be ministered to the Persons Elected, as it is set down before in the Form for the Ordering of Deacons. And then shall the Arch-Bishop minister unto them the Oath of due Obedience to the Arch-Bishop, as followeth.

The Oath of due Obedience to the Arch-Bishop.

In the Name of God. Amen. I N. chosen Bishop of the Church and Sec. of N. do promise and give mine Ark due reverence and obedience to the Arch-Bishop, and to the Metropolitane Church of N. and to their Successors; So help me God, through Jesus Christ.

¶ This Oath shall not be made at the Consecration of an Arch-Bishop.

¶ Then the Arch-Bishop shall move the Congregation present to pray, saying thus to them.

Brethren, It is written in the Gospel of Saint Luke, That our Saviour Christ continued the whole night in prayer, before he did choose and send forth his twelve Apostles. It is written also in the Acts of the Apostles, That the Disciples who were at Antioch, did fast and pray before they laid hands on Barnabas and Marcnas, and sent them forth. Let us therefore, following the example of our Saviour Christ and his Apostles, first fast to prayer, before we admit and send forth this Person presented unto us, to the work wherunto we trust the Holy Ghost hath called him.

¶ And then shall be said the Litany, as before, in the Form for Ordering Deacons. Save only that after this place.

may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, &c. the proper Suffrage

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All that you persuaded that you diligently attend to
 this Ministration, according to the will of our
 Lord Jesus Christ, and the Order of this Rite.

All that you persuaded that the holy Scriptures con-
 tain sufficiently all doctrine required of necessity
 to eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ;
 And are you determined out of the same holy Scrip-
 tures to instruct the people committed to your charge,
 and to teach or maintain nothing, as requisite of ne-
 cessity to eternal salvation, but that which you shall
 be persuaded may be concluded and proved by the
 same:

Answer. I am so persuaded and determined by
 Gods grace.

Will you then faithfully execute your task in
 the same holy Scriptures, and call upon God
 by prayer, for the true understanding of the same, so
 as ye may be able by them to teach the people, with
 wholesome doctrine, and to withstand and confute the
 gain-sayers:

Answer. I will so do by the help of God.

Are you ready with all faithful diligence to be-
 ware, and drive away all erroneous and strange
 doctrine, contrary to Gods Word, and boldly
 and openly to call upon, and encourage others
 to the same:

Answer. I am ready, the Lord being my helper.

Will you deny all ungodliness and worldly
 lusts, and live soberly, righteously, and godly

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In this present world, that you may shew your self in all things an example of good works unto others, that the Adversary may be ashamed, having nothing to say against you, so that you may glorify in God.

Answer. I will so do, the Word being my helper.

The Arch-Bishop.

Will you maintain and set forward, as much as shall lie in you, quietness, love, and peace among all men; and such as be unquiet, disobedient, and criminous within your Diocese, correct and punish, according to such Authority as you have by Gods Word, and as to you shall be committed by the Ordinance of this Realm.

Answer. I will so do by the help of God.

The Arch-Bishop.

Will you be faithful in Ordaining, Sending, or Laying hands upon others.

Answer. I will so be by the help of God.

The Arch-Bishop.

Will you shew your self gentle, and be merciful for Christs sake to poor and needy people, and to all strangers destitute of help.

Answer. I will so shew my self, by Gods help.

¶ Then the Arch-Bishop standing up, shall say,

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who hath given you a good Will to do all these things, grant also unto you strength and power to perform the same; that he accomplishing in you the good work which he hath begun, you may be found perfect and irreprehensible at the latter day, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Bishop Eleazar, or one of the rest of the Episcopal Habit, and kneeling down [Ken, Creator Spiritus] shall be sung or said over him, the Arch-Bishop beginning, and the Bishops,

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Bishops with others that are present, shall say the following prayer,
as followeth: Good to all men, and to all the
Christian Church, Amen.

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighted with celestial fire.
Thou the anointing Spirit art,

Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.
Thy blessed Anction from above,

Is comfort, life, and fire of love;
Enable with perpetual light,

The dulness of our blinded sight;
Anoint and cheer our sorrowed face,

With the abundance of thy grace;
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;

Where thou art guide, no ill can come;
Teach us to know the Father, Son,

And thee, of both, to be but one;
That through the ages all along,

This may be our endless song;
Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Come, Holy Ghost, eternal God,
proceeding from above,

Both from the Father and the Son;
the God of peace and love;

Visit our minds, into our hearts
thy heavenly grace inspire;

That truth and godliness we may
pursue with full desire;

Thou art the very Comforter,
in grief and all distress;

The heavenly gift of God most high,
no tongue can express;

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The fountain and the living spring
of joy celestial :

The fire so bright, the love so sweet,
the unction spiritual.

Thou in thy gifts art manifest,
by them Christ's Church does stand :

In faithful hearts thou writ'st thy law,
the finger of God's hand.

According to thy promise, Lord,
thou givest speech and grace,

That through thy help God's praises may
resound in every place.

O holy Ghost, into our minds
send down the heavenly light ;

Kindle our hearts with fervent zeal,
to serve God day and night.

Our weakness strengthen and confirm,
(for, Lord, thou know'st us frail)

That neither devil, world, nor flesh
against us may prevail.

Put back our enemies far from us,
and help us to obtain

Peace in our hearts with God and man,
(the best, the truest gain ;)

And grant that thou being, O Lord,
our leader and our guide,

We may escape the face of sin,
and never from thee fly.

Such measures of thy powerful grace,
grant, Lord, to us, we pray,

That thou may'st be to us our comfort
at the last dreadful day.

Of strife and of contention
dissolve, O Lord, the bands,

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And knit the knots of peace and love
throughout all Christian Lands.

Grant us the grace that we may know
the Father of all might,

That we of his beloved Son
may gain the blissful sight,

And that we may with perfect faith
ever acknowledge thee,

The Spirit of Father, and of Son,
one God in Persons three.

To God the Father, land and praise,
and to his blessed Son,

And to the Holy Spirit of grace,
Co-equal three in one.

And pray we that our only Lord
would please his Spirit to send

On all that shall profess his Name,
from hence to the worlds end.

¶ That ended, the Arch-Bishop said,
Lord, hear our prayer.

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee,
The Arch-Bishop. Let us pray.

A Almighty God, and most merciful Father,
of thine infinite goodness hast given thy
and dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, thy only
deemer, and the author of everlasting life,
that he had made perfect our redemption by his
death, and was ascended into heaven, poured
his gifts abundantly upon men, making some
poles, some Prophets, some Evangelists, some
Pastors and Doctors, to the edifying and
perfecting his Church; Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord,

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thy servant such grace, that he may be ready to spread abroad the Gospel, the glad tidings of reconciliation with thee, and that he be chosen to give him, not to destruction, but to salvation; not to hurt, but to help; so that as a wise and faithful servant, giving to thy family their portion in due season, he may at last be received into everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth one God, world without end. Amen.

Then the Arch-Bishop and Bishops present shall lay their hands upon the Head of the Elected Bishop, kneeling before them upon his knees, the Arch-Bishop saying,

Recieve the Holy Ghost, for the Office and Work of a Bishop in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the Imposition of our hands; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. And remember that thou stir up the grace of God which is given thee by this Imposition of our hands: for God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and love, and sobriety.

Then the Arch-Bishop shall deliver him the Bible, saying,
Take heed unto reading, exhortation and doctrine. Take heed upon the things contained in this Book. Be diligent in them, that the increase coming thereof may be manifest unto all men. Take heed unto thy self, and to doctrine, and be diligent in doing them: for by so doing, thou shalt both save thy self, and them that hear thee. Be to the flock of Christ a shepherd, as a shepherd feedeth them, laboureth them, and keepeth them, and bindeth the slack, binding the binding again the outcasts, seek the lost, so minister that ye be not ashamed, as ministers of discipline,

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that you forget not mercy: that when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye may receive the never-fading crown of glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Then the Arch-Bishop shall proceed in the Communion Service; with whom the new Consecrated Bishop (with others) shall also communicate.

¶ And for the last Collect, immediately before the Benediction, shall be said these Prayers.

Most merciful Father, we beseech thee to lend down upon this thy servant thy heavenly blessing, and so endue him with thy holy Spirit, that he preaching thy word, may not only be earnest to reprove, beseech and rebuke with all patience and doctrine; but also may be to such as believe, a wholesome example in word, in conversation, in love, in faith, in chastity, and in purity: that faithfully fulfilling his course, at the latter day he may receive the crown of righteousness laid up by thee, O Lord, the righteous Judge, who liveth and reigneth one God with the Father, and the holy Ghost, world without end. Amen.

Prevent us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The peace of God which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

CONFIRMATION

**The Order of Confirmation, or Laying on of
Hands upon those that are Baptized and
come to years of discretion.**

¶ Upon the Day appointed, all that are to be then Confirmed, being placed, and standing in Order before the Bishop; he (or some other Minister appointed by him) shall read this Preface following.

WHEN the said Confirmation may be ministered to the more edifying of such as shall receive it, the Church hath thought good to order, That none hereafter shall be confirmed, unless such as can say the Creed, the Lords Prayer, and the Ten Commandments; and can answer to such other questions, as in the Book of Discipline are contained: which order is very convenient to be observed, to the end that children being now come to the years of discretion, and having learned what their Godfathers and Godmothers promised for them in Baptism, they may themselves with their own mouth and consent openly before the Church ratify and confirm the same; and also promise that by the grace of God they will evermore embrace themselves faithfully to observe such things, as they by their own confession have assented unto.

¶ Then shall the Bishop say,

DO ye here in the presence of God and of this Congregation, renew the solemn promise and vow that was made (in your name at your Baptism; ratifying and confirming the same in your own persons, and acknowledging your selves bound to be

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~~And when the Bishop hath said these words, he shall say~~
~~these and Godmothers then understand for you~~

¶ And every one shall audibly answer, **I do.**
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Our help is in the Name of the Lord.
Answer. Who hath made heaven and earth.

Bishop. Blessed be the Name of the Lord.

Answer. Henceforth world without end.

Bishop. Lord, hear our prayers.

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Bishop. Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast
safely regenerate these thy servants,
and the holy Ghost; and hast given unto them
gifts of all their sins; strengthen them
thy grace, O Lord, with the holy Ghost for
comfort, and daily increase in them thy
gifts of grace; the spirit of wisdom and understanding;
the spirit of counsel and ghostly strength;
the spirit of knowledge and true godliness;
and fill them with the spirit of thy holy fear,
now and for ever. Amen.

¶ Then all of them in order kneeling before the Bishop,
shall lay his hand upon the head of every one severally, saying.

Defend, O Lord, this thy child, with thy
heavenly grace, that he may perse-
vere thine for ever: and daily increase in the
spirit more and more, until he come unto thy
lasting Kingdom. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Bishop say.

The Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy Spirit.

¶ And (all kneeling down) the Bishop shall say.

Let us pray.

Our Father, which art in Heaven, hallowed be
thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will

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be done in Earth, As it is in Heaben. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

¶ And this Collect.

Almighty and everlasting God, who makest us both to will and to do those things that be good and acceptable unto thy divine Majesty; We make our humble supplications unto thee for these thy servants, upon whom (after the example of thy holy Apostles) we have now laid our hands, to certifye them (by this sign) of thy favour and gracious goodness towards them. Let thy Fatherly hand, we beseech thee, ever be over them; let thy Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of thy Word, that in the end they may obtain everlasting life, through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

O Almighty Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctifie, and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments, that through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

¶ Then the Bishop shall bless them, saying thus,

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. Amen.

¶ And there shall none be admitted to the holy Communion, until such time as he be Confirmed, or be ready and desirous to be Confirmed.

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